LORELEI

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Moderato
Dm F Am C
Back in the days of
mp
p
G9-5 C7+5 C7 Dm F Am C G9-5 C7+5 C7 F Am7 Dm7 Am B♭ A7
Knights in ar-mor There once lived a love-ly charm-er; Swim-ming in the Rhine, Her
Dm Fmaj.7 B♭maj.7 Dm7 G7 C7 Dm F Am C G9-5 C7+5 C7 Dm F Am C
fig-ure was di-vine. She had a yen for all the sail-ors, Fish-er-men and
Gm6 A-9 A7 Dm7 G6 C Dm7 G6 C
gobs and whal-ers; She had a most im-mor-al eye They called her Lor-e-lei;

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Gm Gm7 C9 Fmaj.7 F7 Gm7 C7 F F7 Dm F7
She cre-a-ted quite a stir And I want to be like her.
mf
REFRAIN
B♭ E♭maj.7 B♭ E♭
I want to be like that gal on the riv-er, Who sang her
p-mf
B♭ B♭7 E♭maj.7 E♭6 B♭+ E♭m6 B♭ Cm Dm E♭
song to the ships pass-ing by; She had the goods and how she could de-
cresc.
Am G+ Gm7 C7 F Cm F C7+5 F9 E♭ B♭ E♭maj.7
liv-er The Lor-e-lei! She used to love in a strange kind of

B♭ E♭ B♭ B♭7 E♭maj.7 E♭6 B♭+ E♭m6
fash-ion, With lots of hey! ho-de-ho! hi-de-hi! And
B♭ Cm Dm B♭7 C9 C9-5 F7 B♭ Cm
I can guar-an-tee I'm full of pas-sion Like the Lor-e-lei.
B♭ Em7 A-9 Dm Gm6 B♭ A7
I'm treach-er-ous Ja! Ja! Oh, I just can't hold my-
mp
Dm A7 A-9 D Em7 E7
self in check. I'm lech-er-ous Ja! Ja! I want to

A G F♯m Em D Edim F7 F9 B♭ E♭maj.7
bite my in - i - tials on a sail - or's neck! Each af - fair has a kick and a
mp
B♭ E♭ B♭ D♭7 E♭maj.7 E♭6 B♭+ E♭m6
wal - lop, For what they crave I can al - ways sup - ply I
B♭ Cm Dm B♭7 C9 C9-5 F7 1. B♭ E♭ B♭ C7-5 F7 E♭
want to be just like that oth-er trol-lop The Lor - e - lei! I want to
2. B♭ E♭ B♭ C7 G♭7 F7+ B♭
Lor - e - lei!
mf
sf